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SUBJ: SACAF'S PROBLEMS

1. AT THE END OF OUR AUGUST 17 CONVERSATION, PRIME MINISTER PATASSE RAISED WITH ME ON A PERSONAL BASIS A COMPLAINT AGAINST THE LOCAL AMERICAN SAFARI COMPANY SACAF. PATASSE SAID THAT THE COMPANY'S DIRECTOR, BERT KLINEBURGER, HAD BEEN ENGAGING IN ILLEGAL EXPORTS OF IVORY. HE ASKED ME TO PASS ON TO KLINEBURGER A WARNING THAT SUCH ILLEGAL ACTIVITY SHOULD CEASE. HE INDICATED HE WOULD BE DISCUSSING THE MATTER WITH KLINEBURGER DIRECTLY NEXT WEEK.

2. I HAVE PASSED THE MESSAGE ON. KLINEBURGER INSISTS THAT ALL IVORY WHICH HE HAS PURCHASED AND EXPORTED HAS BEEN THROUGH LEGAL CHANNELS. HE NOTED THAT NOW ALL EXPORTS HAVE TO GO THROUGH THE EMPEROR'S PRIVATE COMPANY LA COURONNE. HE SAID HE INTENDED TO GET OUT OF THE IVORY BUSINESS STRAIGHT-AWAY.

3. COMMENT: ONE CAN ONLY HOPE KLINEBURGER HAS NOT FALLEN AFOUL OF THE EMPEROR'S PERSONAL FINANCIAL INTERESTS. THE FACT THAT PATASSE CHOSE TO INFORM US OF THIS SITUATION SUGGESTS THAT HE, AT LEAST, WANTS TO AVOID ITS BECOMING A MAJOR PROBLEM.
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